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In re Patent Application of:  
Howard E. Rhodes

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For: ACTIVE PIXEL SENSOR WITH A  
DIAGONAL ACTIVE AREA

Examiner: D. J. Reynolds

**SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

MS Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.

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